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Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council Minutes of the June 19, 2003 Meeting

Members Present:

Andrea Bird, Assistant to Director of Public Services Representing County Administrator Tom Coe, Assistant City Manger, Representing City Manager Duncan Moore, CEO Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare, Inc. Sharon Roush, CEO Capital Regional Medical Center, Inc. Dr. Javier Escobar, Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare, Inc.

Guests:

Nancy Herndon, Tallahassee Fire Department Mr. Richard Smith, Emergency Management Department Sheriff's Office

Staff Present:

Joe Sharp, Director Health and Human Services Cherry Shaw, County Attorney's office

The Meeting came to order at 11:05 A. M.

Issue I: Acceptance of January 22, 2003 Minutes.

Action: Upon motion of Duncan Moore, duly seconded, the minutes were accepted.

Issue II: Review of Application of Air Methods Corporation for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CoPCN) for air ambulance services for Leon County.

Action: Staff distributed copies of Air Methods Corporation application, extracts from the EMS ordinance relating to criteria for securing a CoPCN, and a business profile of the company. Mr. Sharp updated the Board of the County's Invitation to Negotiate process, the evaluation process, and the factors leading to the selection of Air Methods Corporation as the proposer with whom to conduct negotiations. Mr. Sharp informed the Board that contractual terms had been reached with Air Methods. Key provisions are: 1) Air Ambulance services will be based in Leon County at the Leon County Regional Airport; 2) Air Ambulance services will not require a subsidy from the County; and 3) that a strong probability exists that the EMS Medical Director for Leon County and the medical director for Air Methods Corporation Leon County operations may be the same individual.

Action: Upon motion of Duncan Moore, seconded by Sharon Roush, the Board approved, by unanimous vote, to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners the granting of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Air Methods Corporation for emergency air ambulance services in Leon County.

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Issue II: Extend the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Ground Ambulance Services to Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare, Inc to December 31, 2003.

Action: Upon motion of Duncan Moore, seconded by SharonRoush, the Board voted, by unanimous vote, to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners that the CoPCN for ground ambulance services for Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare, Inc., be extended to December 31, 2003.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:03 P. M.